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REPORT

TOPIC Brandenburg - Briest Airfield

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This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. between 19 and 24 September 1955, 27 to 30 MiG-15s and 2 Po-2s were observed on Brandenburg - Briest airfield. Between 19 and 23 September, there was air activity including formation flying by up to 8 aircraft.
2. On 19 September, MiG-15s practiced flying individually and in small formations. Occasionally, up to 16 aircraft were simultaneously aloft. On 21 September, 22 MiG-15s were counted at the field.
3. The following air activity and aircraft were observed between 19 September and 5 October 1955:

19 and 23 September. There was air activity by individual aircraft and formations of up to 8 MiG-15s.

24 September. Before air activity started, 24 MiG-15s were observed at the field, being arranged in elements of two along the western, southern and southeastern edges of the field. After mid-day, there were formations of up to 7 MiG-15s aloft.

3 October. Between 1100 and 1500, aircraft practiced flying individually and in formations of two and four. 25X1

5 October. Before air activity started, 32 MiG-15s were parked at the field. Between 1330 and 1530, formations of 4 and up to 8 MiG-15s were observed aloft. The aircraft headed south to southwest. No landings were observed. It was assumed that the aircraft had left the field.

4. The following air activity was observed between 21 and 30 September:

21 September. Two elements of 2 MiG-15s practiced flying at 3,000 to 4,000 meters.

23 September. Both at 1430 and 1510, 10 MiG-15s took off heading south. At 1540, a formation of 4 MiG-15s took off heading in the same direction.

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27, 28 and 29 September. Air activity was conducted in formations of two, three and four aircraft.

30 September. Individual MIG-15s made local flights.

Comment. The aircraft of GA Regt Brandenburg - Briest participated in exercises of the Soviet Army in the Letzling Heath area in late September and in exercises by the Eighth Gds Army in Thuringia in early October 1955.

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